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COMMISSIONER MAYES TO HOLD OFFICE HOURS IN PRESCOTT AND TUCSON

Mayes to make monthly visits in each city

PHOENIX – Corporation Commissioner Kris Mayes on Monday unveiled plans to make monthly visits to Prescott and Tucson beginning on January 28 in an effort to provide easier access to the Commission for those living outside the Phoenix metro area.

Mayes will work in Prescott the fourth Friday of each month from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will be available to field questions, concerns, or comments from the public.

On the third Friday of each month, beginning in February, Mayes will hold the same hours in Tucson at the Corporation Commission offices downtown.

Born and raised in Prescott, Mayes said she has a responsibility to travel around Arizona to provide greater access to the state's citizens.

"The office of Corporation Commissioner is a statewide responsibility, and I believe that it's hard to serve all of Arizona from one office in Phoenix," Mayes said. "This will continue a concerted effort by the Commission for the last few years to reach out to all Arizona residents."

Mayes will be available in Prescott at the Yavapai County Administration Services Building, 1015 Fair Street, in the Gladys Gardner Conference Room (Rm. 308). Tucson's Corporation Commission offices are on the second floor of the Arizona State Government building at 400 West Congress, Suite 218. Mayes will be in Prescott on the fourth Friday of each month, beginning January 28, and in Tucson on the third Friday of each month, beginning February 18.

Recent cases such as the proposed UniSource reorganization, concerns about the increase in the use of surcharges on phone bills and high gas prices in northern Arizona demonstrate that the actions of the ACC have an impact across the state. By holding office hours in new locations, Mayes hopes to make the ACC more accessible to every Arizonan as well as raise the Commission's profile.

“I hope the residents of northern and southern Arizona will take this opportunity to bring their concerns to us at the ACC,” Mayes said. “Reaching out to residents of the state will enhance my ability to do my job as a Commissioner.”

Known as the fourth branch of Arizona government, the ACC holds constitutional regulatory authority over the state’s public utilities, railroads, and intrastate pipelines, as well as civil securities enforcement and corporate filings.

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